

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S8871–S9016*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3086–3095, S. Res. 359, and S. Con. Res. 138. **Page S8941**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the development of educational programs on veterans' contributions to the country and the designation of the week that includes Veterans Day as "National Veterans Awareness Week" for the presentation of such educational programs.

S. 785, for the relief of Frances Schochenmaier, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1314, to establish a grant program to assist State and local law enforcement in deterring, investigating, and prosecuting computer crimes.

S. 2778, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal.

S. 2811, to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to make communities with high levels of out-migration or population loss eligible for community facilities grants.

S. Con. Res. 135, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. **Page S8941**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Beaches Environmental Awareness, Cleanup, and Health Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 999, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S8988–92, S8998**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4174, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8998**

***Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act:*** Senate passed S. 522, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of beaches and coastal recreation water, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8998–S9003**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4175, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9000**

***Veterans Claims and Appeals Procedures Clarification and Improvement Act:*** Senate passed S. 1810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and improve compensation and pension, education, housing loan, insurance, and other benefits for veterans, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9003–09**

***Next Generation Internet Act:*** Senate passed S. 2046, to reauthorize the Next Generation Internet Act, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9009–13**

Smith (of N.H.) (for Frist/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4176, to increase the Federal investment in civilian research and development. **Pages S8992–97, S9013**

***Water Resources Development Act:*** Senate began consideration of S. 2796, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8885–S8907, S8916–29**

#### **Adopted:**

Smith (of N.H.)/Baucus Amendment No. 4164, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8901–03**

Smith (of N.H.) (for Helms) Amendment No. 4166, to direct the Corps of Engineers to give expedited consideration to the completion of a study on renourishment of certain beaches in North Carolina. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Smith (NH) (for Gorton) Amendment No. 4167, to provide the Corps of Engineers the authority to accept and expend funds provided by public entities to process permit required by federal environmental statutes. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Reed) Amendment No. 4168, to provide that the Secretary shall conduct a survey to determine the project deficiencies and identify the necessary measures to restore the project for Cliff Walk

in Newport, Rhode Island to meet its authorized purpose. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Reed) Amendment No. 4169, to provide that the Secretary shall conduct a reconnaissance study to determine the Federal interest in dredging the Quonset Point navigation channel in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 4170, to provide assistance for efforts to protect and improve the Missouri River in the State of North Dakota. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 4171, to direct the Secretary of the Army to establish a program to market dredged material. **Pages S8929, S8987**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4172, to make a certain technical correction. **Pages S8929, S8988**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4173, to provide for National Academy of Sciences studies. **Pages S8929–30, S8988**

#### Rejected:

By 24 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 254), Warner/Voinovich Amendment No. 4165, to require payment by non-Federal interests of certain operation and maintenance costs. **Pages S8916–29**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Monday, September 25, 2000, with a vote on final passage of the bill to occur at 4:50 p.m. **Pages S9013–14**

**Nominations Discharged:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nominations, and that they be placed on the calendar:

Luis J. Lauro, of Florida, to be Permanent Representative of the United States to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador; and

Mark L. Schneider, of California, to be Director of the Peace Corps. **Page S8941**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy.

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**Messages From the House:** **Pages S8939–40**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S8940**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S8938–39**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S8998**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—254) **Pages S8928–29**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., on Friday, September 22, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8928–29.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### GLOBAL WARMING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine certain solutions or approaches to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Ann R. Mesnikoff, Sierra Club, and Norman J. Rosenberg, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, both of Washington, D.C.; Jeff Morgheim, British Petroleum, Houston, Texas; Fredrick D. Palmer, Western Fuels Association, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; and Joseph Romm, Center for Energy and Climate Solutions, Annandale, Virginia.

### ENERGY POLICY ACT

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings on S. 2933, to amend provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 relating to remedial action of uranium and thorium processing sites, after receiving testimony from James J. Fiore, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy for Site Closure, Environmental Management.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee began markup of the following bills: H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994, H.R. 4320, to assist in the conservation of great apes by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of great apes and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of great apes, H.R. 3671, to amend the Acts popularly known as the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act to enhance the funds available for grants to States for fish and wildlife conservation projects and increase opportunities for recreational hunting, bow hunting,

trapping, archery, and fishing, by eliminating opportunities for waste, fraud, abuse, maladministration, and unauthorized expenditures for administration and execution of those Acts, H.R. 4286, to provide for the establishment of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge in Bibb County, Alabama, H.R. 3292, to provide for the establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, H.R. 4318, to establish the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, H.R. 4435, to clarify certain boundaries on the map relating to Unit NC01 of the Coastal Barrier Resources System, H.R. 34, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, H.R. 1162, to designate the bridge on United States Route 231 that crosses the Ohio River between Maceo, Kentucky, and Rockport, Indiana, as the "William H. Natcher Bridge", H.R. 1605, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 402 North Walnut Street in Harrison, Arkansas, as the "J. Smith Henley Federal Building and United States Courthouse", and H.R. 4806, to designate the Federal building located at 1710 Alabama Avenue in Jasper, Alabama, as the "Carl Elliott Federal Building", but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

#### HEAVY-DUTY DIESEL EMISSION RULE

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed heavy-duty diesel emission rule designed to regulate heavy-duty diesel engines by (1) requiring the use of catalytic exhaust emissions control devices to reduce PM, NO<sub>x</sub>, and NMHC, and (2) reducing the amount of sulfur in highway diesel fuel, after receiving testimony from Ronald W. Williams, Gary-Williams Energy Corporation, Denver, Colorado; Paul Rogers, Voss Companies, Inc., Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Truck Stop Operators; Richard A. Kassel, Natural Resources Defense Council, New York, New York; and Christina Vujovich, Cummins, Inc., Columbus, Indiana.

#### IRAN WEAPONS PROGRAMS

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the extent and pace of Iran's ballistic missile and weapons of mass destruction programs, as well as the prospects for and consequence of continued proliferation cooperation between countries Iran and North Korea, after receiving testimony from Robert D. Walpole, National Intelligence Officer for Strategic and Nuclear Programs, National Intelligence Council; A. Norman

Schindler, Deputy Director, Director of Central Intelligence Nonproliferation Center; Stephen A. Cambone, Director of Research, Institute for National Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Department of Defense; and Michael Eisenstadt, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Washington, D.C.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 785, for the relief of Frances Schochenmaier, with an amendment;

S. 2778, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal;

S. 1314, to establish a grant program to assist State and local law enforcement in deterring, investigating, and prosecuting computer crimes; and

S. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the development of educational programs on veterans' contributions to the country and the designation of the week of November 5, 2000 as "National Veterans Awareness Week" for the presentation of such educational programs.

#### VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the antitrust implications of entertainment industry self-regulation, and the constitutionality of government action to assist the entertainment industry in limiting the exposure of youth to explicit sex, violence, and other harmful material in music, movies, and video games, after receiving testimony from Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America, Hilary Rosen, Recording Industry Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; John F. Fithian, National Association of Theatre Owners, North Hollywood, California; and Crossan Andersen, Video Software Dealers Association, Encino, California.

#### PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

*Special Committee on Aging/Committee on Small Business:* Committees concluded joint hearings to examine issues relating to the General Accounting Office investigation into alleged contracting irregularities at the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, including weaknesses in procurement planning and execution processes which may have led to limited competition, after receiving testimony from Wayne R. Poll, Inspector General, and David M. Strauss, Executive Director, both of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, and Robert H. Hast, Assistant Comptroller General,

Office of Special Investigations, both of the General Accounting Office; Bonne Ann McHenry,

Merrimack, New Hampshire; and Thomas A. Parks, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 30 public bills, H.R. 5236–5265; 1 private bill, H.R. 5266; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 108; H. Con. Res. 405, and H. Res. 587–588 were introduced. **Pages H7990–92**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2413, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security, amended (H. Rept. 106–876);

H.R. 4429, to require the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to assist small and medium-sized manufacturers and other such businesses to successfully integrate and utilize electronic commerce technologies and business practices, amended (H. Rept. 106–877);

H.R. 2987, to provide for the punishment of methamphetamine laboratory operators, provide additional resources to combat methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse in the United States, amended (H. Rept. 106–878, Pt. 1);

H.R. 4897, to amend the Small Business Act to establish a program to provide Federal contracting assistance to small business concerns owned and controlled by women (H. Rept. 106–879);

H.R. 4944, to amend the Small Business Act to permit the sale of guaranteed loans make for export purposes before the loans have been fully disbursed to borrowers (H. Rept. 106–880);

H.R. 4946, to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a pilot program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns, amended (H. Rept. 106–881); and

H. Res. 586, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 106–882). **Pages H7989–90**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Richard Elliott of Gilbertsville, Pennsylvania. **Page H7935**

**Defense and Security Assistance Act:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4919, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to make improvements to

certain defense and security assistance provisions under those Acts, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries by a yea and nay vote of 396 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 485.

**Pages H7939–43**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 584, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill by voice vote. **Page H7939**

**Enrollment Correction:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 405, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 4919, Defense and Security Assistance Act.

**Page H7943**

**Lackawanna Heritage Valley, Pennsylvania American Heritage Area:** The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 940, to establish the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American Heritage Area—clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages H7943–49**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 583, the rule waiving points of order against a motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the bill by voice vote.

**Page H7949**

**Veterans Health Administration. Personnel System Improvements:** The House passed H.R. 5109, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the personnel system of the Veterans Health Administration by a yea and nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 486. **Pages H7949–65**

Agreed to the committee amendment made in order by the rule. **Page H7951**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 585, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

**Page H7958**

**Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act—Motion to Instruct Conferees:** Representative Scarborough announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4205, Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act to recede to the Senate language contained in section 701 of the Senate amendment. **Page H7983**

**Meeting Hour—Friday, September 22:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Friday, September 22.

**Page H7988**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of September 27.

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**Senate Message:** Message received by the Senate today appears on page H7935.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7942–43 and H7965. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### DOD—CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the Department of Defense chemical agents and munitions destruction program. Testimony was heard from Senator Sessions; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Anna Johnson-Winegar, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary (Chemical and Biological Affairs); Gloria Patton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army (Chemical Demilitarization); Denzel Fisher, Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health, Jim Bacon, Program for Chemical Demilitarization, John Ferriter, Director, Operations, Remediation and Restoration, U.S. Army Soldier, Biological and Chemical Command, Cheryl Maggio, Tooele Chemical Demilitarization Facility, Site Support Team Leader, U.S. Army Program Manager for Chemical Demilitarization, and, Col. Kevin Connors, USA, Deputy Director, Army Safety, all with the Department of the Army; Russ Salter, Director, Chemical and Radiological Preparedness, FEMA; Kevin Yeskey, National Center for Environmental Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; David Kooson, Committee on Review and Evaluation of Army Chemical Stockpile Disposal Program, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

### MILITARY PROCUREMENT STATUS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the status of military procurement. Testimony was heard from Christopher Jehn, Assistant Director, (National Security Division), CBO; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: William J. Lynn, Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer; Lt. Gen. Larry R. Ellis, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans; Vice. Adm. Edmund P. Giambastiani, USN, Deputy Chief, Naval Operations (Resources, Warfare Requirements, and Assessments); Lt. Gen. Robert H.

Fogelsong, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air and Space Operations; and Lt. Gen. William L. Nyland, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Programs and Resources.

### CREDIT SCORE DISCLOSURE

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on Credit Score Disclosure, focusing on H.R. 2856, Fair Credit Full Disclosure Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FIRESTONE TIRE RECALL

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint hearings on the recent Firestone tire recall action, focusing on the action as it pertains to relevant Ford vehicles. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Rodney E. Slater, Secretary; and Sue Bailey, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and representatives of Ford Motor Company and Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc.

### TRANSPORTATION RECALL ENHANCEMENT, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND DOCUMENTATION ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection began mark up H.R. 5164, Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability, and Documentation Act.

### IMPROVED MATH-SCIENCE EDUCATION IMPORTANCE

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on the National and Economic Importance of Improved Math-Science Education and H.R. 4272, National Science Education Enhancement Act. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

### POTENTIAL ENERGY CRISIS

*Committee on Government Reform:* Concluded hearings on Potential Energy Crisis in the Winter of 2000. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Bill Richardson, Secretary; and James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Carol Browner, Administrator, EPA.

### OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on "The Federal

Workers' Compensation Program: Are Injured Federal Workers Being Treated Fairly?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Michael Walsh, Chairman, Employee Compensation Appeals Board; Shelby Hallmark, Acting Director, Office of Worker's Compensation Programs; and Patricia Dalton, Acting Inspector General.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on House Administration:* Met to consider pending Committee business.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 4899, amended, the Asian Pacific Charter Commission Act of 2000; H.R. 5224, amended, International Food Relief Partnership Act; H.R. 5239, Export Administration Modification and Clarification Act of 2000; H.R. 2166, Bear Protection Act of 1999; and H. Con. Res. 328, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 395, expressing the sense of the Congress condemning the September 6, 2000, militia attack on United Nations refugee workers in West Timor and calling for an end to militia violence in East and West Timor; H. Res. 577, amended, to honor the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for its role as a protector of the world's refugees, to celebrate UNHCR's 50th anniversary, and to praise the High Commissioner Sadako Ogata for her work with UNHCR for the past ten years; and H. Res. 398, United States Training on and Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Resolution; and S. 1453, amended, Sudan Peace Act.

#### IMPLEMENTING PLAN COLUMBIA: U.S. ROLE

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Implementing Plan Colombia: The U.S. Role. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: R. Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement; and Carl Leonard, Assistant Administrator,

Latin America, AID; Brian Sheridan, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

#### INSPECTOR GENERAL'S 2000 REPORT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held an oversight hearing on the Department of Justice Office of Inspector General's September 2000 Report titled: "An Investigation of Misconduct and Mismanagement at ICITAP, OPDAT, and the Criminal Division's Office of Administration." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Eric Holder, Deputy Attorney General; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General and John C. Keeney, Principle Deputy Assistant Attorney General, both with the Criminal Division; Glenn Fine, Acting Inspector General; and Stephen Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Administration, Justice Management Division.

#### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the Impact of the Mentally Ill on the Criminal Justice System. Testimony was heard from Senator DeWine; Representative Strickland; Bernard S. Arons, M.D., Director, Center for Mental Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael F. Hogan, Director, Department of Mental Health, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

#### BERYLLIUM-RELATED ILLNESSES COMPENSATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 675, Beryllium Exposure Compensation Act; H.R. 3418, Energy Employees' Beryllium Compensation Act; H.R. 3478, Federal Beryllium Compensation Act; H.R. 3495, Department of Energy Nuclear Employees Exposure Compensation Act; H.R. 4263, Atomic Workers' Compensation Act; and H.R. 4398, Energy Employees Occupational Illness and Compensation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Senator Voinovich; Representatives Kanjorski, Kaptur, Strickland, Whitfield, Udall of Colorado, Wamp, Udall of New Mexico, Berkley and Lampson; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Bill Richardson, Secretary; and David Michaels, Assistant Secretary, Office of Environment Safety and Health; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources,* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4789, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office Reauthorization Act of 2000; H.R. 5086, to amend the National Marine Sanctuaries Act to

honor Dr. Nancy Foster; and H.R. 5133, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cardin; Scott Gudes, Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE FUTURE

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on the Future of the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Representative Sanford; Randall Phillips, Deputy Chief of Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

#### SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON RULES

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on the legislative day of September 25, 2000, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 4578) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

#### COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Government and Industry Plans with respect to Stage 4 Commercial Aircraft. Testimony was heard from Edward W. Stimpson, U.S. Ambassador, representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization; Louise Maillott, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Policy, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### VETERANS AFFAIRS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings on information technology program. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Michael Slachta, Jr., Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; and Robert P. Bubniak, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Information Technology; and a public witness.

#### GLOBAL AGING CRISIS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the Global Aging Crisis. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### BRIEFING—INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Intelligence Authorization Legislative Issues. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2000

##### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### House

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing on Using Technology to Learn and Learning to Use Technology, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

##### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine the status of police reform, focusing on protecting human rights and securing peace in Northern Ireland, 10 a.m., 2172, Rayburn Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Friday, September 22

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Friday, September 22

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** After the recognition of two Senators for speeches, Senate will be in a period of morning business.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Pro forma session.

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